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For: HYALURONIC ACID DERIVATIVE AND DRUG CONTAINING THE SAME

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98**

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 (modified) form and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed (without a Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)) after the later of three months from the application's filing date and the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, but before a Final Office Action, Notice of Allowance, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application (whichever is earlier), and therefore the fee of \$180.00 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is being remitted.

Applicant encloses herewith a copy of a Communication from the Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand (Examination Report dated November 9, 2009, issued in counterpart Application No. 549010), and a Communication from the Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines (Office Action, Paper No. 9 dated March 1, 2010, issued in counterpart Application No. 1-2006-501524), both indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign patent offices.

All of the references cited in the Philippine Office Action were previously submitted as part of an Information Disclosure Statement filed on July 7, 2006, and thus are not being listed in the present IDS.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

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